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SUBJECT: PROCEDURES FOR ONWARD TRAVEL OF VIET NAMESE IN CAL-
IFORNIA REFUGEE CENTER

1. MR. PIERRE BAESJOU, A DUTCH NATIONAL WHO IS WORLD FOOD PROGRAM ADVISOR IN UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM IN NOUAKCHOTT, HAS JUST LEARNED THAT HIS PARENTS-IN-LAW, ONE OF HIS BROTHERS-IN-LAW WITH HIS FAMILY, AND ONE SISTER-IN-LAW AND HER CHILDREN, ALL OF WHOM ARE VIET NAMESE NATIONALS, ARE CURRENTLY RESIDENTS OF R 1203 REFUGEE CENTER FORT CHASSEY IN SAN FRANCISCO. SECOND BROTHER-IN-LAW IS ON GUAM. BAESJOU DESIRES TO ARRANGE ONWARD TRAVEL OF HIS PARENTS-INDALAW TO FRANCGWHERE HIS WIFE AND THEIR TWO DAUGHTERS (ALL THREE ARE DUTCH NATIONALS) ARE NOW LIVING AT THE BAESJOU FAMILY RESIDENCE NEAR FONTAINEBLEAU. HE DOES NOT KNOW WHAT STEPS TO TAKE NOR EVEN WHERE TO BEGIN, IN PART BECAUSE HE DOES NOT KNOW WHAT SORT OF TRAVEL DOCUMENTS IF ANY HIS PARENTS-IN-LAW NOW POSSESS.

2. FATHER-IN-LAW'S NAME IS NGUYEN TANG HOI. HE IS APPROXIMATELY 74; HIS WIFE IS 69. BOTH ARE FRENCH SPEAKING.

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3. ACCORDING TO BAESJOU, ALL EXPENSES CONNECTED WITH DESIRED ONWARD TRAVEL WILL BE PAID BY THE SON (AND BROTHER-IN-LAW) WHO IS NOW AT FORT CHASSEY, NGUYEN TANG NGAN. LATTER IS IN HIS EARLY FORTIES.

4. AS UNITED NATIONS EMPLOYEE, BAESJOU IS PREPARED TO SEEK ASSISTANCE OF UNDP OR TO REQUEST UN HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR REFUGEES TO ISSUE SOME SORT OF TEMPORARY TRAVEL DOCUMENTATION IF THAT WOULD BE EITHER HELPFUL OR NECESSARY. AS DUTCH NATIONAL WHOSE FAMILY HAVE BEEN LONG-TERM RESIDENTS OF FRANCE, HE IS ALSO PREPARED TO APPROACH DUTCH OR FRENCH AUTHORITIES WHOULD THAT BE NECESSARY OR HELPFUL. HE IS MOST GRATEFUL HIS PARENTS-IN-LAW HAVE BEEN HELPED TO LEAVE VN, RECOGNIZES US AUTHORITIES ARE SWAMPED, AND REALIZES THAT PROCESS OF OBTAINING DOCUMENTATION AND ARRANGING ONWARD TRAVEL MAY REQUIRE SEVERAL MONTHS. HE DOES NOT WISH TO PRESS, MERELY TO INQUIRE SO THAT HE MAY BEGIN REASONABLY SOON TO START WORKING ON WHATEVER LONG LEAD TIME ITEMS THERE MAY BE AMONG THE PROCESSING REQUIREMENTS.

5. DEPARTMENT IS REQUESTED TO PROVIDE EMBASSY DETAILED LIST OF STEPS MR. BAESJOU MUST TAKE FOR FORWARDING TO HIM HERE IN NOUAKCHOTT. HANDYSIDE

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